
COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

August 22, 2013

The Joint States met today and took the following action:

<i>2013 Non-Indian Mainstem Commercial Early Fall Fishery</i>		
Season:	9 PM Sunday August 25 to 6 AM Monday August 26 (9 hours)	
Area:	Zones 4-5 (SMCRA 1D and 1E). The deadline at the lower end of Zone 4 is defined as a straight line projected from the Warrior Rock Lighthouse on the Oregon shore easterly through the green navigation Buoy #1 and continuing to the Washington shore.	
Sanctuaries:	Washougal and Sandy Rivers	
Gear:	Drift gillnets only. 9" minimum mesh size restriction. Multiple net rule NOT in effect, which means nets not authorized for this fishery may not be onboard. Lighted buoys required.	
Allowable Sales:	Salmon and white sturgeon. A maximum of 4 white sturgeon may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) in the remaining openers. The white sturgeon possession and sales limit includes mainstem fisheries only.	
Miscellaneous:	During August 1-31, sturgeon possession is prohibited while fishing gear is deployed in the portion of commercial Zone 5 that is upstream of Skamania Island (Navigation Marker 82 on the Oregon shore, westerly to the boundary marker on the Washington shore upstream of Fir Point). Only vessels in transit through the area may have sturgeon onboard.	
Additional Rules:	24-hour Quick Reporting Rule will be in effect for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240. Requires all Washington wholesale buyers purchasing fish from commercial fisheries to send a report of their landings to WDFW within 24 hours of the closure of the fishery via either: a) FAX transmission to (360) 906-6776 or (360) 906-6777 b) E-mail to crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov c) Telephone to 1-866-791-1281	

Future Hearings:

A Compact/Joint State hearing is scheduled for **1:00 p.m. on Tuesday August 27** to review non-Indian commercial fisheries and the Buoy 10 fishery. The start time for this hearing is one hour earlier than previously scheduled (was scheduled for 2:00 p.m.).

September 5 has been reserved for a Compact hearing to consider commercial treaty Indian fisheries.